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### The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

Foreign Language Committee

FLC-031-88 15 November 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of the DCI Foreign Language Committee (FLC)

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Attached you will find the October monthly report for the Foreign Language Committee.



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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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NSA interns detailed to the FLC to assist in documenting the study of language resources in the Intelligence Community, have met with all FLC members as well as with every point of contact identified in response to the committee's questionnaire. As a result of these meetings, several agencies have expanded on information they previously provided. The interns have also visited with Harry Obst of the State Department's Office of Language Services, and attended meetings of D'ECLOE (The Defense Exchange Committee on Language Efforts) and the Interagency Language Round Table.

In continuing their investigation into developments in language processing will travel to Wright-Patterson AFB in Ohio and to FSTIC (Foreign Scientific and Technical Information Center) in Charlottesville, Virginia.

## 2. THE NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING WORKING GROUP

In response to our September tasking, Community members have begun to forward the names of their representatives to the Natural Language Processing Working Group. When all are identified, a charter meeting will be held and a formal schedule of regular meetings will be released.

In addition to investigating the ALPS machine-assisted translation system projects at CIA and NSA, another early undertaking with potential benefit to the Community at large has been identified. The Working Group has received an informal request for support in preparing a detailed Request for Proposals to initiate procurement of a large system for multilingual text processing. The benefit of supporting this effort is that Community members could ride on the resulting contract, saving inestimable manhours in procurement for agencies where similar systems are desirable.

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# 3. REFERRAL PROGRAM FOR LANGUAGE APPLICANTS

On 18 October 1988, the FLC proposal to establish an interagency referral program for applicants with foreign language capabilities was approved by Mr. Robert M. Gates, Deputy Director of Central Intelligence. Mrs. Margaret Gulotta, the alternate FLC FBI representative, is the action officer for this initiative.

Chairman	

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